

Nomination for the 2025-2026 Board of Governors Award

This award reaches beyond those usually awarded for television news and production. The Board of Governors Award recognizes achievements by individuals, organizations, or companies in community service or other worthwhile endeavors within the National Capital Chesapeake Bay's region. Historically, the Board of Governors Award is given for truly outstanding achievement and unique accomplishment of some duration and durability.

The nominating person/organization will be responsible for producing a short video piece on the honoree, if selected, to play at the Emmy® Awards Gala on June 20, 2026.

AWARDS: A plaque is given for this award with the possibility of more than one award, or no award recipient. This award can be given to an individual, a company, or an organization for outstanding achievement in the arts, sciences or management of television which is either of a cumulative nature or so extraordinary and universal in nature as to be beyond the realm of the awards presented in the categories of achievement.

NOMINATIONS: Members of the Board of Governors of the National Capital Chesapeake Bay Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences nominate for consideration by the Board, the individuals, companies, and/or organizations which they consider merit this highest award. Nominations will be considered at a Governors meeting at least one month prior to the presentation of the awards.

Nominations can only be made by a current Board of Governor, Executive Committee Member or Ex-Officio Presidents. Written submissions are mandatory and should be sent to adixon@capitalemmys.org.

The Board of Governors will vote on the candidates at the April 14th Board meeting.

PRELIMINARY VOTE: The Board of Governors discusses the nominations at this meeting and then votes, in secret, a preliminary ballot to determine by majority vote which of the nominations will be considered for the award.

SECONDARY VOTE: The Board of Governors then votes a second ballot, in secret, to select the recipient(s) of the Governors' Award, if any. A five-sixth (5/6th) favorable vote of the members of the Board of Governors present at the meeting is required for an award to be given.

NOMINATION PACKAGE: *(Incomplete nominations will not be considered.)*

- Completed Nomination Form on next page.
- Attach a short statement saying why you feel this nominee should be considered.
- Include optional supporting material, i.e., biography, resume, newspaper clippings, letters of recommendation, etc.

NOMINATION DEADLINE: Thursday, April 2, 2026



Board of Governors Award Nomination Form

Nominee

Name _____

Company/Organization _____

Address _____

Email _____

Phone _____ Title _____

Nominated by

Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

NOMINATION CHECKLIST: *(Incomplete nominations will not be considered.)*

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Send Nominations and all accompanying materials to: adixon@capitalemmys.org.

Past Board of Governors Award Recipients

2024-2025	Barbara Ciara, WTKR
2023-2024	Denise Koch, WJZ-TV
2022-2023	Pat Lawson Muse, WRC
2021-2022	NBC4/WRC
2020-2021	Sue Kopen Katcef, former Capital News Service Bureau Director, University of Maryland
2019-2020	Joe Beninati, NBC Sports Washington
2018-2019	Maryland Public Television
2017-2018	Bruce Johnson, Anchor/Reporter, WUSA 9
2016-2017	Barbara Harrison, Anchor/Reporter, WRC
2015-2016	Jayne Miller, Investigative Reporter, WAL-20TV
2014-2015	Andrea Roane Skehan, Morning New Anchor, WUSA 9
2013-2014	Jim Vance, Anchor News4 at 6 and 11, WRC/NBC4
2012-2013	Larry Michael, The Washington Redskins
2011-2012	Jim Lehrer, PBS NewsHour
2010-2011	Brian Lamb, CSpan
2009-2010	Washington Week with Gwen Ifill & National Journal
2008-2009	No Award Given
2007-2008	John Davis
2006-2007	Aisha Karimah
2005-2006	Max Schindler, Sr.
2004-2005	No Submissions
2003-2004	Johnie Roth, Jr.
2002-2003	No Award Given
2001-2002	Millard James Watkins, III
2000-2001	Steve Affens (Posthumously) and Mac McGarry
1999-2000	Terry A. Zahn (Posthumously)
1998-1999	Sandra Pastoor
1997-1998	John Carmody
1996-1997	John D. Hillis and Sharon Percy Rockefeller
1995-1996	Khalim Piankhi
1994-1995	No Award Given
1993-1994	Thursa Crittenden Thomas
1992-1993	Sandra Butler-19Jones
1991-1992	Dept. of TV Production Gallaudet University
1990-1991	Harry Davis's "Broadcast Factory"
1989-1990	Ward Chamberlin, Jr.
1988-1989	No Award Given
1987-1988	No Award Given
1986-1987	Betty Endicott
1985-1986	No Award Given
1984-1985	Ronald Townsend
1983-1984	Thomas Cookerly
1982-1983	Joel Chaseman
1981-1982	No Award Given
1980-1981	Elizabeth Campbell



1979-1980	Edward F. Ryan and Holly Fine
1978-1979	Unknown If Any Award Given
1977-1978	Unknown If Any Award Given
1976-1977	Jim Snyder
1975-1976	Len Deibert
1974-1975	Unknown If Any Award Given
1973-1974	Bryson Rash
1972-1973	Ford Foundation
1971-1972	Robert Rogers
1970-1971	William McCarter
1969-1970	Unknown If Any Award Given
1968-1969	Urban Broadcast Workshop
1967-1968	Vincent R. Wasilwesky
1966-1967	Ted Yates
1965-1966	Unknown If Any Award Given
1964-1965	Unknown If Any Award Given
1963-1964	Unknown If Any Award Given
1962-1963	Father William P. Anderson
1961-1962	WETA-TV